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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

FUND,.....\$3,900,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO- } \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-Hon. Joun Bell Inving. Deputy Chairman-W. H. Fornes, Esq. BOTTOMLEY, Hon. A. P. McEwen. S. C. Michaelsen,

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N Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the daily On Fixed Deposits :-For 3 in intha, 3 per cent, per annum.

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Uredits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON, Ohief Manager.

Hougkoug, January 25, 1888.

NOTICE

IL SAVINGS' BANK. 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their

on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 -Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500

in any one year. 3. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months

at 5 per cent. per annum interest. -Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5. - Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and begin 6 - Correspondence as to the business.

the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. 7. Withdrawals may be made on demand,

but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent. and the production of his Pass-Book

For the HONGRONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPOBATION, T. JACKSON.

Chief Manager. Hongkong, September 1, 188,

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TATE Have CLOSED the FOOCHOW BRANCH VV of our Firm on the 31st ultimo, and Transferred our Business at that port to Mr. GUSTAV SIEMSSEN. - SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 28, 1888.

T HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED MYSELF at this port as MERCHANT and COMMIS-SION AGENT under the Name and Style of G. SIEMSSEN.

Foochow, January 1, 1888.

NOTIOE.

MHE INTEREST and Responsibility of the late Mr. RICHARD VON OAR-LOWITZ and his Heirs in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1887.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, January 21, 1888. NOTICE.

AR. M. GROTE has This DAY been Charged. Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm. CHATER & YERNON. Hongkong, January 1, 1888.

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

WE Have THIS DAY authorized Mr. DAVID AARON GUBBAY to Sign. the Name of our Firm in HONGKONG and

E. D. SARSOON & Co. Hongkong, February 14, 1888

Intimations.

CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 1165.

N Emergency CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 18th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. Visiting Bretheen are cordi-

Hongkong, February 18, 1888. HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

EXCURSION TO MACAO AND BACK.

TATEATHER permitting, the Steamship VV. HONAM will leave Hongkong on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at 8.30 a.m. returning from Macao at 9 p.m. No Second-class or Single Fares. Chinese Servants, 50 Cents each way. No Chita

Refreshments will be supplied on Board, ut no Moals.

F. HENDERSON. Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 15, 1888. TTONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, the 22nd, 23rd and 24th February.

Rule 15. —Admission to the Grand Stand and ENCLOSURE for MEMBERS of JOCKEY CLUB, Free; for Non-Members, \$5 for the Meeting. For Admission to the New STAND, \$3 for the Meeting.

GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE to be had on application to the E. W. RUTTER, Esq. Hon. Treasurer, and at the Gate on Race Days. No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Gate-keeper.

H. J. H. TRIPP Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 14, 1888.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction Public Business at Noon on WEDNES-DULES OF THE HONGRONG DAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 22nd, 23rd and 24th Instant.

For the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China. JOHN THURBURN

tralia and China, T. H. WHITEHEAD,

Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, T. JACKSON.

Acting Agent. For the New 'Oriental Bank Corporation, E. W. RUTTER,

Manager, Hongkong, Hongkong, February 16, 4888 CORPORATION.

will be held at the Crry Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of February current, at 12 o'Clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON.

Hongkong, February 2, 1888.

TOTICE is hereby given that REGISTERS of SHARES of CORPORATION WILL be CLOSED from the 11th (SATURDAY) to the 25th day of Februar current (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be regis-

T. JACKSON Ohief Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1888.

J. D. KILEY.

MENTS, AWNINGS AND FLA-GS. No. 23, Praya Central,

THE HUNGKONG AND KOWLOON

PANY, LIMITED TOTICE is hereby given that all lessets DISCHARGING BOMBAY COT. 112 TON and COTTON YARN at the Kow-LOOK WHARVES will have FERE STORAGE

for 14 days from arrival, after which a Rent

ISAAO HUGHES, Secretary. Hongkong, November 7, 1887

Business Notices.



HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF AND RACE SCARVES. FELT

SADDLERY

RACING SUNDRIES, of all kinds. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS. CHARGES MODERATE. TIFFIN at 1 o'Clock. DINNER at 7.30. VENTILATED BILLIARD TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.

WINES, SPIRITS AND MALT LIQUORS OF THE VERY BEST QUALITY ONLY.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. Victoria Hotel.

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within live minutes walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c , has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Horers in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL,

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMORING ROOMS. The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken. Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,

Hongkong, September 16, 1885.

EX GLENFRUIN

Ladies' Department. TEW WHITE STRAW HATS. NEW SUMMER BONNETS.

NEW FLOWERS and FEATHERS. NEW PARASOLS and UMBRELLAS. NEW BUOTS and SHOES. NEW COLOURED SUEDE GLOVES.

Furnishing Department. THEAP CARPET SQUARES. TRON BEDSTEADS, all sizes. SPRING MATTRES ES, all sizes. COLOURED TABLE CLOTHS WHITE TABLE LINEN. CHEAP BREAKFAST CRUETS.

(TELEPHONE 21). VICTORIA EXCHANGE, February 18, 1888.

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters. QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

AMB'S WOOL and SHETLAND WOOL UNDERVESTS and PANTS, CARDIGAN JACKETS, Hand KNIT HOSE and & HOSE, CASHMERE MERINO and SILK 1-HOSE. BOOTS and SHOES from the best manufac-DRAB CLOTH SPATS. KID and WOOL-LINED GLOVES. TRAVELLING RUGS and SCOTCH PLAIDS. OVERLAND TRUNKS, PORTMANTEAUS and HAND-BAGS, &c.

TAILORING: -OVER-COATINGS, SUITING, AND TROU-SERING in large Variety of Materials. Hongkong, January 3, 1888

Intimations.

NOTICE. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED,

CHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour. NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand. Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the

receive prompt attention. In the Event of Complaints being found will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Hongkong, August 25, 1885.

DENTISTRY

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP. MODERATE FEES. MR. WONG TAI-FONG.

Surgeon Dentist, FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LAT-TEBLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROCERS,) A T the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. Rockes, No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE. Discount to missionaries and families. Sole Address. 2, DUDDELL STREET (Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 19, 1885.

Intimations. COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

the Offices of the Company, No. 14. HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will | purpose of receiving the Report of the the 31st December, 1887, and considering necessary, Communication with the Under- the expediency of increasing the number signed is requested, when immediate steps of the Directors of the Company to Nine. The Transfer BOOKS of the Compan

> By Order of the Board of Directors, DAVID GILLIES, - Secretary. Hongkong, February 9, 1888

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths ATAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS. VOIGITANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.

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DIAMOND JEWELLERY I Splendid Collection of the Latest London PATTERNE, at very moderate prices. 742

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Nineteenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 20th February instant, at 12 o'Clock (noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st Dec. or, 1837, the Report of the Contral Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 20th day of February inst., both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Hongkong, February 1, 1888.

1838 MEDICAL MISSTONARY 1888

SOCIETY IN CHINA SEMI-CENTENNIAL MEETING. THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

(being the Fiftieth Anniversary) of this SOCIETY will be held in CANTON at the House of Mesars. Russell & Co., on TUESDAY, February 21st, at 2 o'Clock J. M. SWAN,

Canton, 16th February, 1888. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ninetcenth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 45, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon of TUESDAY the 21st February instant, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st Instant, both days inclusive.

> By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 1, 1888. ANDREW JOHNSTON.

Consulting Engineer. BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD. DLANS and ESTIMATES prepared for LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMERS, STEAM LAUNCHES, MARINE ENGINES and BOILERS. and all other kinds of MACHINERY, A List of Steamers FOR SALE always

on hand

The Address as above.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. For 38.18.

FOR SALE. JUST ARRIVED EX Manuel BOUT 30,000 Cubic FRET MANILA HARD WOOD Apply to

Hongkong, January 9, 1888. FOR SALE. ULES MUMM &

OBAMPAGNE,

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Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS AND WHITE WINKS. Barter's Colebrated Barley Bree! WHISKY, \$74 per Case of 1 doz.

To Let.

Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co.

TO BE LET.

(With Immediate Possession.) NWO DESIRABLE RESIDENCES situated in Caine Road. West end Terrace opposite to Rose Villas.

No. 14, CAINE ROAD. Hongkong, October 31, 1887.

TO LET.

Apply to

(Immediate Possession.) I TOUSE No. 1, 'BALL'S COURT,' Bonham Road.

BELILIOS & Co. Hongkong, February 14, 1888. TO LET.

GODOWN in ICE HOUSE LANE, lately

occupied by Mesers. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE from the 1st May. Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, February 3, 1888.

DOOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS.

TO BE LET.

UNFURNISHED WITH TENNIS COURT. NTO. 5. RICHMOND TERRACE, & FOUR ROOMED HOUSE, with Three Bath Rooms. No. 6. Percentono TERRACE, a SIX ROOMED HOUSE, with Three Bath Rooms A NEW STORY has just been added to the Servants Quarters of both houses.

JOHN WILLMOTT. Hongkong Dispensory Hongkong, January 27, 1888.

Apply to

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by Populo Auction, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 20th day of February, 1888; at 2.30 p.m. are published for general information. By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART. Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE. Hongkong, 11th February, 1988.

articulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 2 th day of February, 1888, at 2.30 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Seventeen Lots of Crown Land, at Mongkok, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75

Particulars of the Lots.

Boundary 2 nucets. Locality ft. ft. ft. ft. No. 422 Kowloon 200 200 50 50 10,000 140 1000 428 Do. 200 200 50 60 10,000 140 1000 431 Do. 200 200 50 50 10,000 140 1000 200 200 50 60 10,000 140 1000 200 200 60 60 10,000 140 1000 200 200 50 50 10,000 140 1000 200 200 200 60 10,000 140 1000 200 200 50 50 10 000 140 1000 70 70 15 18 1,050 16 103 70 70 15 15 1,050 18 105 70 70 15 15 1,050 16 105 70 70 15 18 1,050 16 70 70 15 15 1,050 10 70 70 15 15 1,050 16 70 70 16 15 1,050 16

AUCTION SALE OF HORSES

NTOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th 1 of March proximo, there will be at the Cavalry Quarters of Hanci, Tonkin, a PURIS AUCTION SALE of 140 FRENCH OR ARABIAN HORSES.

H. VERLEYE. Consul for France. Hongkong, January 28, 1888.

Shipping.

Steamers. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

FOR AMOY. The Co.'s Steamship Capt. Schouten, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, February 16, 1882 DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Co.'s Steamship Captuin HUNTER, will be Ports on SUNDAY, the 19th Austant, at

General Managers. Hongkong, February 18: 1888. FOR BANGKOK (DIRECT.)

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. Lie Charpany's Steamer

will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, February 16, 1888. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPAN LIMITED. FOR SWATOW.

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 20th Instant, at

The Co.'s Steamship

Hongkong, February 17, 1888. THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

General Managers,

The Co. s Steamship

Zaftro,

Captain Talbor, will be despatched for the above The Co.'s Steamship Port on MONDAY, the 20th Instant, at 4 o'Clock p. m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

General Managers. Hongkong, February 17, 1898 NETREBLANDS INDIA STEAM

RUSSELL & Co.

The Co.'s Neamship

Celebra

Unptain Joon: will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Inst., at 8 p, m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & Co.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL. (Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER-DAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL

and BREMEN.) The Steamship Captain J. Voss, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 21st Instant, at

10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, February 11, 1888 OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAL

for NINGPO. CHEFOO, NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Captain Hannah, will be despatched as above on

VEDNESDAY, the 22nd Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, February 14, 1888.

The Co.'s Steamship Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE GIBB LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Taking through Cargo for QUEENSLAND PORTS, ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.) The British Steamer

25th Instant, at 4 p.m. Attention is directed to the Steamer's comfortable Saloon and State Rooms, affording excellent Accommodation for Firstclass Passengers.

Fare to Sydney or Melbourne, \$150.

For Breight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkohg, February 15, 1888:

FOR PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. The Co. s Steamship

Proximo, at 4 p.m. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabina are situated forward of the Engines. Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigorating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, F. bruary 11, 1888.

entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is

Notices to Consignees. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co... Hongkong, February 15, 1888. 241 GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE Steamship Glenfrain, having arriof Cargo by her and by the S.S. Greese and Denmark, from New York, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., LD., at Kowloop, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-pay, the 14th Instant.

Cargo / remaining undelivered after the
20th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counterigned by JARDINE MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, Pebruary 14, 1888.

2. WYNDHAM STREET. January 20, 1888.

Hongkong, February 14, 1888

First-class Fare to Macao and Back, \$2. will be taken.

Tickets may be obtained at the Company's By Order of the Board of Directors,

RACE MEETING 1888.

Rule 16.—Tickers of Admission to the

BANK HOLIDAYS. HONGKONG RACES.

Manager, Hongkong. premises in Hougkong. Business hours For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Aus-

> Chief Manager. Comptoir d'Ascompte de Paris, J. ARRANGER.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING TOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this ConfORATION

Chief Manager. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

SAIL-MAKER.

HONGKONG. Hongkong, November 1, 1887. 2135 WHARF AND GODOWN COM-

of 3 CENTS per bale per month will be

DIAMONDS

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held in Praya, Central, on MONDAY, the 27th February instant, at 3 o'Clock p.m., for the Directors, and Statement of Accounts to will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

FOR SWATOW, AMOY IND TAIWANFOO.

Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

YUEN FAT HONG. Agents.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Hoogkong, February 17, 1888.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON FIA SUEZ CANAL.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, February 15, 1888.

Captain Hoog, due on the 19th Instant, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

J. D. C. ARTHUR, Compatched as above on TUESDAY, the 28th

For Freight or Passage, apply to

FROM SOURABAYA, SAMARANG BATAVIA, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON. THE Steamship Celebes, having arrived from the above Ports, Consumees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN Co., LD., at West Point, whence delivery may be Cargo remaining undelivered after the

22nd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

HALL PROGRAMMES FOR SALE IN HIW MADES AND PATTERNS. CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Notices to Consignees.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FROM SOURABAYA, SAMARANG, BATAVIA, SINGAPORE AND

SAIGON.

THE Steamship Bantam, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN Co., LD. at West Point, whence delivery may be

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, February 15, 1888.

Entertainment.



THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY WILL GIVE A THIRD PERFORMANCE (By Special Request)

GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S OPERETTA THE SORCERER,

> SATURDAY. 25th February, at 9 o'Clock p.m.

PROCEEDS TO BE DEVOTED TO LOCAL CHARITIES. Tickets may be had and places secured

as usual at Mossrs. LANE, CRAWPORD & Co.'s, on and after Monday, 20th Instant, Price, \$2 each. . R. LYALL,

Acting Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, February 16, 1888.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-ALLIE ROWE, Hawaiian brig, Captain J.

Phillips, -Wieler & Co. B. P. CHENEY, American ship, Captain Hughes. - Douglas, Lapraik & Co. Bylgia, German barque, Capt. P. Weiss. -Wieler & Co.

CENTENNIAL, American ship, Captain I M. Bearse.—Russell & Co. DOBOTHEA, German barque, Capt. H. T. Moller.—Siemssen & Co. EME, British barque, Capt. W. Summers.

-Order. GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, Capt. James G. Rowell.—Russell & Co. Manuel, Spanish barque, Capt. Estival. -Remedios & Op.

To-day's Advertisements.



Regular MEETING of the above A LODGE will be held in the FREE-MASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATUR-DAY NEXT, the 25th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED. Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

STEAMSHIP IRAOUADDY. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex Steamship Indus, Frederic Morel, in conwith the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables-are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 5 p.m. To-DAY (Saturday), the 18th Inst., requesting i to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-DAY, the 25th February, 1888, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per diem. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Monday, the 27th February, 1888, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, February 18, 1888. THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the GENERAL AGENTS, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Seneral Agents, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February

until 10th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 18, 1888. THE LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Sixth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the GENERAL AGENTS, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents, with a Statement of Account to the Slat December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February until the 10th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

General Agents, Hongkong, February 18, 1888

To-day's Advertisements. To-day's Advertisements, Sloan, and Master Sloan, Messrs G. Mac-COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAL

and Parts on the YANGTSZE)

MONDAY, the 20th Instant, at 4 p.m."

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

BURG, VIA SUEZ-CANAL

(Taking Cargo at through rates to

ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTEL

· DAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL

and BREMEN.)

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hougkong, February 18, 1878

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON

WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY,

I HE First Ordinary Annual MEETING

held in the Offices of the Company,

Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 8th

day of March next, at Noon, to receive

the Report of the Directors, with a State-

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 23rd Instant to.

SHIPPING

ARRIVAL.

February 18, 1888 :--

bot, Manila February 15, General. - Rus.

Toonan, Chinese steamer, 1,261, J. War-

Diomed, British steamer, 1.470, W. B.

Bigley, Liverpool December 27, and Singo-

pore February 11, General.—BUTTERFIELD

Fushun, Chinesesteamer, from Whampor.

Iran andly, French steamer, 2,363, Bretel,

Recorder. British cable repairing steamer,

Feilung, British steamer, 752, Crawford,

Braunschweig, German steamer, 2,150,

676, C. R. Madge, Cape St. James February

Bangkok February 1', Rice.-CHINESE.

DEPARTURES.

February 18:-

Of KARRIOD.

Marseilles Junuary 15, Al xandria 20, Port

Said 21, Suez 22, Aden 27, Colombo Fob.

Goneral. - Messageries Maritimes.

. Ballast. -E. E. TELEGRAPH Co.

and General. MELOHERS & Co.

Pechili, for Swatow and Shaughai.

Jacob Christensen, for Kutchinotzu.

Anna Wichhorst, for Singapore.

-Diomed, for Amoy and Shanghai.

Clara, for Haiphong.

Velox, for Saigon.

Crusader, for Sugou.

Fushun, for Shanghai.

Haiphong, for Saigon.

Bantam, for Amoy.

Marcia, for Nagasaki.

Pakshan, for Swatow.

Woosning, for Saigon.

Taiwan, for Saigon.

Mongkut, for Bangkok.

Thibet, for Yokohama.

CONSECUSED TOUR BY HISTRICALLY

Carola, Gorman cruiser, from a cruise.

wick, Wahu February 13, Rice, -C. M. S.

Zafiro, British steamer, 675, R. M. Tal-

By Order of the Board,

SELL & Co.

Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1887.

of the SHAREHOLDERS will be

at 10 a.m. . .

The Steamship

SIEMSSEN & Co.,

ISAAO HUGHES.

Secretary.

General Mornigers,

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, February 18, 1858

The Co.'s Steamhip

MARITIMES: PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND . YUKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship Commandant Bretel, will be despatched for MORROW (SUNDAY) the above Ports TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) the 19th Instant, at 10 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hungkong, February 14, 1888. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Tuking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, OHEFOO, NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and

Posts on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Captain Bigley, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th Instant, at Daylight, For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, February 18, 1888. STEAM TO SHANGRAL The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s

Steamship place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next outward English Mail.

E. L. WOODIN. Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office Hongkong, Fobruary 18, 1888. STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA-

SAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.) The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Sth Proximo, both days inclusive. *Steamship Teheran.

will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, 3rd March, at Daylight. E. L. WOODIN.

Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, February 18, 1888.



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON:

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ANI. AUSTRALIA.

N. B. - Cargo can be taken on through Bitts 3, Singapore 10, and Suigon 15, Mails and of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON. SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAS AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamachip BENGAL, Captain W. B. ANDREWS, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at Daylight.

Cargo will be received on board until p.m. on the day provious to sailing, Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 2 p.m. on the day provious to sailing. Tea, Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo for London will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving

one week later than by the ordinary direct route vid Colombo. Thyra, for Saigon. For further Particulars regarding Thales, for Coast Ports, FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & OBJENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages ar

required to be declared prior to shirmont. and Havre, ex Steamship Indus, Shippors are particularly requested to from Bordeaux, ex Steamships note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. Passengers desirous of insuring their bag-

gage can do so on application at the Com. pany's Office. E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office Hongkong, February 18, 1898. fadin, Ludovio Kuttner, and 1 Japanese Per Iraquaddy, for Hongkong: from Mar-cilles, M. Filix de la Rama; from Colombo.

Mr Noumehomed Badjee and 2 children for Singapore, Messrs Townsend and servant, Fox, Benskin, Crawford and Ferster; (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rate from Saigon, Mr Tremlett, 3 French Sisters, and 43 Chinese. For Shaughai : from Marfor CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, HANKOW seilles, Mosars G. A. Butler and Pang. For Kobe: from Aden, Mr E. Jaffe. For Yokohama : from Marseilles, Mr Nakamara, Mr Captain Hood, will be despatched as above or and Mrs Merian, infant and servant, M. Comto Anenokoski, Messrs Chrismann Houda, Takenchi and Hoshi; from Saigon, Messrs Voisin, Comte, 3 French Sisters, Mrs Glaizal, and Mr Maria Philippe. Per Bruunschweig, from Shanghai; fo Hongkong, Kpt. Lieut. Adams, R. N., and Mr T. Armstrong; for Gonon, Admiral Korniloff, J. R N., and Kpt. Lieut. Reitzenstein, J.R.N.; for Southampton, Mrs

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAM-Wheen and family. Per Thibet, for Yokohama : from London. Messrs G. F. Janney and Quill; from Suez. Mr and Mrs Dooman and 2 infants; from Penang, Major Kays, R.H.A.; from Hong kong. Staff-Surgeon H. T. Cox, R.N., Mrs Cox, infant and European nurse, Messrs A. D. Uloth and Koon Chee, 1 ship Cor-Captain J. BEHREER, will be despatched for the poral, R. N., 1 sick borth Stewart, R. N. ordinary seaman, R.N., 1 engine-room above Ports on TUESDAY, the 28th Iost., Artificer, R.N., and 1 able scaman, R.N. Per Clara, for Haiphong, Mr and Mrs Gallais, Capts, Loredo, Garceau, 1 Indians,

and 5 Chinese. To DEPART. Per Fushin, for Shanghai, 50 Chinese. Ter Thura, for Saigon, 6 Chineso. Per Thales, for Coast Ports, 10) Chinese Per Buntam, for Amoy, 100 Chinese. Per Pakshan, for Swatow, 100 Chinese. Per Diomed, for Amoy, 40 Chinese. Per Woosung, for Saigon, 12 Ohinese. Per Mongket, for Bangkok, 10 Chinese, Per Taiwan, for Suigon, 12 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Zafiro reports: Left Manila 15th February, had moderate winds and fine weather throughout. The Chinese steamer Toonan reports Fresh monsoon and brisk sea throughout. The British steamer Diomed reports : Left Singapore on the 11th instant, at 6 p.m., had fine weather throughout the passage. On 15th February, spoke an American ship showing signal letters K.B.F.R., lat. 11° 16' N., and long. 111'

The British steamer Feilung reports From the 11th to the 16th instant, had moderate winds and fine weather; thence strong N. E. gale, high sea and thick weather to port.

The German steamer Braunschweig reports: Left Shanghai 15th February at 1 p.m. Anchored off Woosung at 6 p.m., took passengers and mails on the 16th. a.m. Left Woosung 16th, 6 a.m., and arrived at Hongkong 18th, 5 p.m. Had strong Northerly winds, with overcast sky and rain showers throughout the passage.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL. Per Iraquaddy will be closed at 9 tomorrow. For Japan at 0.30. Late letters for Shanghar will be received from 9 to 9.30. The Post Office will be open from 8 to 9.30 a.m. For SAIGON .-

Per Woosung, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 19th inst. Per Taiwan, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the Per Thyra, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 19th inst. H. Bodeker, Shanghai February 16, Mails

For SHANGHAL Per Fushin, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 19th inst. For AMOY & SHANGHAL .-Per Diomed, at 0 a.m., on Sunday, the

19th inst. For SWATOW .-Per Fokien, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, THE the 20th inst.

For MANILA. -Fer Zafiro, at 3 p.m., on Monday, the 20th inst.

For SHANGHAL .-Per Fooksang, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 20th inst.

For BANGKOK .-Per Chow-chow-foo, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 20th inst.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET. The German Contract Packet Braunschweig will be despatched on MONDAY, the 20th Instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, vid Brindisi; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, &c., &c.

The Mail will be closed at 3 P.M. Late Letters to 3 30. Correspondence should be marked PER GERMAN MAIL, or with the name of the Packet.

I At debit

SHARE LIST. -QUOTATIONS

Per Toman, from Waha, 1 Chinese.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Diomed, from Singapore, 212 Chi-

Per Zafiro, from Manila, Mr and Mrs

FRBRUARY 18, 1888.

Stocks,	Nos. of	Value.	Paid-up.	Position Pri	Balancec.f'war	Last Dividen	Cash.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bakk Corp.	50,00	1. 12	all	\$ 3,900,000	\$ 20,903.51 a working a/c	t 30/ for ½ yea to Dec. 31/87	\$153 % prem.
North-China Insurance Col., Ld	1 -	E 20	£ 5	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 406,132.00	Tls. 23.65 for	l'is: 270, buyers
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New Shares	1,900	44	£ 7.10	£ 9,177.3:.!	£ 1,527.3.11	10 % and 2 %	\$130 per share, buyers, fully
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Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	8 25	all	\$ 37 500	8 420 60	16 % for 1887	A
Longkong Bakery Company, Ld.	600			\$ 6,00		19% for 1886	
uzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	2 100	•	3.7	\$ 129,303.18		010
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+ Depreciation and Insurance Fund.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

· Daylight. - Thales leaves for Swatow, &c. Daylight. - Buntam leaves for Amoy. Daylight. - Mongkut leaves for Bangkok. 8.30 a.m. - Excursion trip by Honam to

10 a.m.—Iraquaddy leaves for S'hai, &c. RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-Union Onunch: - Divine Worship, 11 A.M. -- Rev. G. H. Bondfield. Sorvice in Chinese, 2 P.M.—Rev. J. Chalmers, M.A.,

SEAMEN'S SERVICES. -The Services for Seamen which have been hitherto held in he Mission Church, Queen's Road, will be held in the future in Union Church, On Sunday and Friday ovenings at 7.30. All Seamon are invited to attend.

GERMAN BETHESDA CHAPEL -- Service in the German language, by Rev. F. Hartmann. every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point. Sr. Joseph's Church, Garden Road,-

9 A.M. Mass and Sermon. 5.30 P.M. Evening Service, Benediction. ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH, Sailors' Home. Service every Sunday at 6 P.M. Holy Communion at 7.30 A.M. on the Second Sunday; and after the evening Service on the Fourth Sunday of each month. Service

TEMPERANCE HALL, 7.30 P.M. - Undonominational Meeting. Services are conducted by the Rev. J. A. Turner, in the Weslevan Mission Rooms, 127 Queen's Road East, on Sundays at 9.45 A.M. and 6 P.M.

every Thursday at 6 P. M.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY. Shipping.

Daylight - Diomed leaves for S'hai, &c. Noon .- Fokien leaves for Swatow. 4 p.m. - Fooksang leaves for Shanghai. 4 p.m. - Zafiro leaves for Manila. 4 p.m. - German Mail leaves for Bremen

and Ports of Call. Meeting.

Noon.-Meeting of Sharoholders The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Company's office, Pedder's Street.

Auctions. 2.30 p.m. -Auction of Crown Land at Mongkok, Kuwloon. Miscellaneous.

Goods per Glenfruin undelivered after th date subject to rent.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

Christmas Confectionery JUST RECEIVED ARYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

CHOCOLATE CREAMS, BURNT ALMONDS, and SUNDRY SWEETS ROSE WATER & OTHER CRACKER

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A. S. WATSON & Co., LD. HONGKONG DISPENSARY, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841. Hongkong, December 12, 1887.

DEATH.

Trabec, Co. Kerry Ireland, Agnes Jane, the wife of William James Edgar.

The publication of this issue commencer

at 8.30 p.m. The China Atlail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, PEDRUARY 18, 1888.

TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

(Via Southern Line.) THE HEALTH OF THE CROWN PRINCE.

LONDON, 10th Feb., 1888. The Crown Prince of Germany is sufferfrom sleeplessness and continuous headaches. Sir Morell Mackenzie's departure is postponed for a time.

(From Singupore Papers.)

THE WILSON SCANDALS, Paris, Feb. 9. - A long enquiry has re sulted in a decision to prosecute M. Wilson.

THE SITUATION. Berlin, Feb. 7 .- On the second reading of the Landwehr Bill, Prince Bismarck said that, as regards Russia, he could see no cause nor pretext for war, the treaties concluded with Austria and Italy being simply a common endeavour to avert common dangers. If asked, Germany will support Russian claims in Bulgaria compatible with Treaties.

tersburg, Vienna, Pesth, and in France.

At a meeting of the Jockey Olub it was

resolved to request Sir George Chetwynd

to prosecute Lord Durham for libel. THE FRENCH NAVY. Paris, 8th Feb. - The Government has decided to reduce the Naval strength on distant stations and to increase the Euro- matic means of shelving a question; and pean Squadrons.

AUSTRIA. Vienna, 7th Feb. -The Minister of War the same respect as has been shown for has demanded a vote of credit to augment the labours of the gentlemen who devoted the Landwehr.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

mouthshire, 14.

The steamer Ganges, with the English A TABLE showing the result of the 64-Mail of January 20th, left Singapore on Friday, the 17th instant, at 8 a.m. and may be expected here on or about packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Dec.

The O. S. S. Jo.'s steamship Glaucus, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 13th about the 20th is at.

The Navegazione Generale Italiana Co. steamer Bormida left Singapore for this expected to arrive on or about the 21st steamer Taisang, from Calcutta, left

Singapore on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst. he D. D. R. steamship Hesperia, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 16th inst., and may be expected hore on or about the 23rd inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Sarpedon, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 17th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst. ORDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN

CATHEDRAL .- 1ST BUNDAY IN LENT. Matins :- Voluntary, Kyrie, Haydn; Psalms, Hayes, Lawes & Macfarren Bonedicite; Best ; Jubilate, Ayrton Anthom, 'O Love the Lord' (Sullivan) Kyrie, Sangster No. 10; Hymn, 86 Voluntary, Interlude. Evensong :- Voluntary, Andante, Merkel ;

luntary, March, Andante, Pastorale,

THE delivery of the French Mail was begun at 4.55 this evening.

THERE was quite a crowd of cases of unlawful cracker-firing before the Police Magistrates again to-day, and a fine of \$4 was imposed on each offender.

Messus Butterfield & Swire inform us that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Sarpeden, from Liverpool, left Singapore yesterday morning, and is due here on the 24th instant.

THERE will be a service in the German Chapel (Berlin Foundling House) to-morrow (Sunday), which will be at 4.30 p.m., conducted by the Rev. J. Wangemann of H. I. G. M. cruiser Sophie.

WE are requested to state that the French Mail for Shanghai will be closed at 9 tomorrow, for Japan at 0.30. Late letters' for Shanghai will be received from 9.30. The Post Office will be open from 8 to 9.30 a.m.

A concent is to be given on Monday in the THE Board of Trade returns for December City Hall for the benefit of the widow and orphans of the late Mr Brown, of the Ordnance Store Department, who was drowned pared with December last year. about a fortnight ago near the entrance of the Harbour.

A MARINE COURT will be held at the Harbour Master's Office on Monday next, the 20th instant, at 10.30 a.m., to enquire into the circumstances connected with stranding of the British ship Ardgay, near Cape Batangan on the morning of the 15th December last.

THE opening of the mouthly Criminal Ses. sions was to-day formally adjourned Monday. There is a somewhat heavy calendar on this occasion, there being four cases of kidnapping, four of larceny, one of On 9th February, 1888, at Blennerville robbery with violence, one of assault, and one of escape from prison.

A CORRESPONDENT points out to us that the case of Mr Holworthy, is by no means the. only recent one in which the Government have acted in direct opposition to the wellconsidered recommendations of the Interpretation Commission. At the time Commission was sitting the post of Fisrt Clerk of the Magistracy fell vacant, post for which a knowledge of Chinese is all but indispensable. Yet, our correspondent says, 'although there were preperly qualified candidates in the service, the Government pitchforked into the place a gentleman who had joined the service on the strength of his qualifications as a teacher and who was utterly ignorant of Chinese.' We have frequently been at a loss to discover the principal upon which the Government filled up vacancies in the service. Real adaptation to the post seems the last thing thought of the only deminant prin- land India Steam Navigati n Company, a ciple apparently being convenience. That steel paddle-steamer of 511 tons register. the welfare of the Colony is not best forwarded in this manner goes without saying. feet. On leaving the ways the new steamer With regard to the case in question, we was named the Lady Weld. She will be have often heard instances of great prejudice to the public interest. The First Clerk being 20 in., 30 in., and 48 in. respectively, not being able to talk Chinese has to employ an interpreter when any information is lodged with him, say by anyone wishing a her to navigate with ease the narrow rivers warrant. The result is that the informa-London, 8th Feb. Prince Bismarck's tion is not only known by a third party but the Victoria harbour. speech has been well received at St. Ps- often by coolies and clerks; and instances have been brought under our notice in which there seemed little doubt the information found its way to the party to be prosecuted before action could be taken. The appointment of Commissions is evidently regarded by the Government as a diplo-

OUTWARD Bound .- Austin Friors, Jan. ADVICES from Hamburg of 10th January uary 3 : Breconshire, 20 : Glengarry, 27 : state that the Norddeutscher Lloyd mail Devawongsee, 29; Anchises, Benlaria, stemmer Preussen, which had recently re-Sachsen, 31; Electra, Pathan, Telema. turned from China to Bremen, had made chus, Feb. 3; Natal, Port Phillip, one of the quickest passages; she was 141 7 : Stentor, Strathleven, Uppingham, hours ahead of her stipulated time on the outward, and 87 hours on her homeward HOMEWARD BOUND :- Albany, Jan. 3; Ben. voyage, and arrived at Suez 89 hours begloe; Glengyle, Feb. 3 : Deconshire, 7 : fore the Messageries Maritimes steamer Copack, Lydia, Promotheus, 10; Mon. Natal, which left Shanghai on the same

we suppose the medicos will be treated with

so much time and energy to the study of

the Land question and the question of In-

terpretation,

pounder R.M.L. competition held by the Hongkong Volunteers at South Shore Thursday, the 23rd instant. This Battery, Stonecutter's Island, on the 13th inst., has just been issued by Captain McCallum. Lieut Mosely heads the list with 10 points for the first shot and 10 for the second. Both shots were 20 yards inst.; and may be expected here on or over, and the first 2 feet left and the second line: Then there follow :- Gunner J. Hunderson, 1st shot, 10 points, 40 yards port on the 14th inst., and may be over, line; 2nd shot, 1 yard short, 3 feet left. Major Tripp, 1st shot, 10 points, 35 Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s yards over, line; 2nd shot, 0, 100 yards short, 2 feet right. Sorgeant Osborno, 1st shot, 10 points, 5 yards over, 1 foot right; 2nd shot, 0, 60 yards over, line; Sergeant J. B. Scott, 1st shot, 0, 150 yards short, line; 2nd shot, 1 points, 10 yards over, 2 feet right. Corporal J. Dade, 1st shot, 10 points, 10 yards over, line; 2nd shot, 0, 10 yards short, line. Gunner Hope, 1st. shot, 0, 40 yards short, 5 feet loft; 2nd shot, 10 points, 2 yards over, line. Gunner Howard, 1st shot, 10 points, 40 yards over, line; 2nd shot, 0, 70 yards short, line. Gunner F. Howell, 1st shot, 0, 100 yards over, line; 2nd shot, 10 points, 35 yards over, line. Gunner F. W. White, 1st shot, 0, 120 yards over, 3 feet left; 2nd shot, 10, 40 yards Psalms, Fussell, Battishill & Hayes; over, line. Corporal Braidwood, 1st shot, Magnificat, Barnby; Nune Dimittis. 0, 40 yards short, line; 2nd shot, 8 points, 20 yards over, 4 feet left. Gumer Dalby, let shot, & points, 5 yards over, 6 feet left; 2nd shot, 0, 70 yards over, line. Captain McCallum, 1st shot, 0, 60 yards over, line; 2nd shot, 8 points, 30 yards over, 5 feet right. Sergeant Dipple, 1st shot, 0, 25 yards short, line; 2nd shot, 8, 30 yards over, 4 feet left.

> Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt t Manila on the morning of the 14th inst. shortly after 5 o'clock.

THE Russian corvette Vitiz, Commander Makaroff, of 3000 tons and 22 guns, arrived at Manila from Foodlow on the 3rd Feb.

THE Manila Comercio, writing about the cracker-firing on the Chinese New Year just passed, remarked that it has been one of the noisiest new years over experienced."

ed at the Canacao Slip at Manfla for the Spanish Government, will take place in a A Sr. Petersburg felegram says that the Czar is going to Mere in the course of the

Tue launch of the third gunboat construct-

resent year, when he will be crowned Emperor of Central Asia. are very satisfactory, showing an increase of upwards of £5,000,000 in imports and more than £3,000,000 in exports, as com-

" HE German steamer Breussen which arrived in the Weser on the 6th inst, from China via Antwerp, was in collision in the Scholde during a thick fog with an unknown steamer. The Preussen had a small hole made

above water, and lost an anchor and chain. Tus Singapore Free Press says :- Captain White of the s. s. Hecuba leaves for England shortly to bring out a new Blue-funnel Captain Inkster of the s. s. Faitee takes command of the Hecuba, while Mr Reese. for a long time chief officer in the same

employ, will take charge of the Fantee. THE Irish Times says :- The reports which have appeared in two newspapers, one Irish and the other English, in reference to the alleged immoral conduct of certain Cork gentlemen, will be the subject of civil actions. It is stated on excellent authority that Major Roberts, the governor of Cork County Gaol, has commenced legal proceedings against the proprietors of these journals with the object of vindicating his character.

The Bentong 'Straits Tin' Company, (Limited) has been issued in London with the object of acquiring the tin and gold mining concession granted by the Pahang Tin and Gold Exploration Syndicate; this company has been formed with a capital of £100,000 in £1 shares, of which 75,000 shares are issued to the vendors in part payment for the property, and 15,000 shares are now offered for subscription. As an inducement for the public to subscribe to the present issue the vendors have placed 15,000 fullypaid shares at the disposal of the directors. and will make over to each subscriber as a bonus one fully-paid share for each share allotted at par, when such share is fully

On the 10th Jan., Messrs Scott and Co., shipbuilders, Greenock, launched from their yard at Cartadyke, for the Notherand of the following dimensions :- Length, 221 feet; breadth, 30 feet; and depth, 91 supplied by the builders with triple-expansion engines, the diameter of the cylinders with a piston stroke of 48 inches. The Lady Weld is double bowed and can be steered from both ends, which will enable of the Dutch settlements in the East. The steamer is now being fitted out for sea at

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

There will be a football match on Monday next between the Club (colours) and the 58th Regiment (whites) under Rugby Union Rules. Play will commence at 4.30 and there will be a tent as usual for the ladies. The match will be played wet or fine unless a notice to the contrary be received from the Honorary Secretary. The following will be the Club team :-

C. E. Holworthy A. H. Maclean H. N. Thompson, M.S., (Captain) R. Ross Thomson J-P. Brewin, R.E. H. W. Bell Rev. C H. Coates, R. N.

J. W. Ord H. F. Hall F. C. Vignoles, R. A. C. H. Thompson

J. S. Legge J. M. Atkinson

G. H. Potts H. S. Woodcock, P. A.

THE MIDICAL COMMISSION The Medical C. mmission_appointed to inquire into the nature and causes of fever in the Western District met at the Government Offices this afternoon. Dr Mortimer presided, and the other members of the Commission present were Dr Ayres, Dr | rising Young, Dr Cantlie, Dr Jordan, Dr Yarr,

and Dr Atkinson. Mr A. G. Aicken, who was the first witness examined, said :- I was not one of those who signed the petition, but I am perfectly willing to give the Commission all the information I can. I had fever in 1887. don't remember the dates exactly, but I had drains had daps. All of them cast it four or five times from the middle on to of the Harbour Master's had tight the end of the year. The attacks towards valves. The Richmond Terrace drain the end of the year were very severe had no flaps below and it had a scaled top. and were attended with retching and vo- The terminal section, however, just below mitting. I had no shivering, but cold Caine Road was the o ly section that was sweats sometimes. There was no diarrheea sealed. All the others were open. - Asked nor cruption. Previous to 1886 I never whother the want of the flap and the scaled had fever. My first experience of it was in | top would not have an injurious effect, he 1856 I was then residing in the same pointed to the perforation that there was all house. The whole of my family had fever along. It was intended now to have separate--not one of them excepted -in 1887, and drains for sewerage and foul water and to many of my servants. I had great difficulty keep the present channels as conduits for

in procuring servants generally. my wife went home in 1885, but that was suitable. As to the carrying off of the subnot on account of fever. One of my family soil drainage there were provisions had an enlargement of the spleon, and it in the Public Health Bill and was chiefly on that account that the trip | the new Building Ordinance. The object Home was made. Fever has been fre- of the provision is to secure subquent from May 1886 on to the end of soil drainage, and the carrying off the flood 1887. I have been 28 years in Hongkong | water is provided for. Sub-soil drainage and I never had fever before 1886. I have | will be expensive, but it is necessary here. been living at West Point for 26 years con- He thought the cutting of carth required a stantly, and never heard of fever there in combination of circumstances to cause the same way before the time I have men- fever. He had never heard before this tioned. I think it very peculiar that the of an entire district like West Point having. fover should come in the winter time, fever, as happened during last year. There because we never knew of it in winter time | will, be plenty of water to flush the bofore at West Point.

By the Chairman-I have a great deal to a constant supply and a pressure. The complain of in regard to the drainage of bouses on the upper level will be supplied my neighbourhood, chiefly with res cet to from Pokfulum, and the houses on the the bad smells from N.N. W. by N.

By Dr Cantlie :-- The Tung Wah Hospi- Tylam. ravino that runs along Nullah side, and be house drains was altered, no satisfactory tween Nullah side and Fairleigh. I went to both the East and West sides of the nullah this afternoon and got the smell particularly strong. Whorever one stands about Nullah side a very bad smell is noticed. I could not say how long is since the Nullah side sewer was constructed. It was formerly a ravine running right down from Bonham Road. and there was a bridge built across at Poksince the sewer was built up to Posfelum Road. His left open at that point. The house drains run into this sewer. I am almost confident that the fever proceeds from this sewer. While the sewer was being built up, the smells proceeded up the hill. think the sewer is open near the bottom, but I could not say with certainty ; I know it was open at one time. It is covered for a considerable distance down. The drains from my house run into the sewer. [Here Mr Aitken produced a plan showing the drainage arrangements of his house. I attach the cause of the present ill-health to the nullah because of the bad smells coming from it. Mrs Aitken had typhoid fever last summer. The bad 'smells extend to Fairleigh, Westbourne Villas and other places when the wind is blowing in their

direction. By Dr. Jordan - It was about three months ago Mrs Aitken had fever. None of the

others of my family had typhoid. By Dr Cantlie-The attacks of fever which my family had were accompanied by shivering and cold sweats, succeeded by glows of heat, the temperature going up as high as 103 dags. At the time Mr. Aitken took-typhoid my children-were-sent to East Point. They were at that time just recovering from fever. One of them had sore throat with the fever, the attack being otherwise of the same kind as that from which the other children suffered. Dr Cantlie -I may mention that we

visited Mr. Aitken's house and I think we found it the most perfect house in West Point in regard to drainage. It was in excellent order so far as we could see, and Mr Aitken could not account for the fever in any way except from the reasons he is now explaining.

Mr Aitken, continuing, said :- About three months after the nullah was closed up. I noticed some bad smells, and when I informed Mr Sassoon he employed Mr Danby to improve the drains and trap them. That is about eighteen months ago but the smells come from the quarter ! have mentioned.

By Dr. Cantlie :- The water in the sewer has been very foul of late. There is a small basin or reservoir at the mouth of the sewer the bottom of which is lower than that of the sewer and that is filling up with all sorts of filth. I have not noticed any vegetable growth in it, but ! on too there in a thick coating of black stuff which gives off a bad smell. I have lived i in Fairleigh, and we never had better health than when we were there. The house was considered a very healthy one until within the last two years. The change surprised me very much. I have also lived in Westbourne Villas; we had very little illness there, and no fever. None of my family had fover there, neither had any of my servants. I believe the advance of the sewer up the hill was the means of bringing fever to that neighbour-

hood. I have a strong conviction that this

is the whole cause of the fever in my neighbourhood. I believe the same is true with regard to the neighbouring district. Mr Price said he apprehended the two sewers complained of in the petition were the one that comes from a little above the Diocesan Home right up the road near Mr Harman's house and the one that comes up from Third Street to Pokfulum Road. The latter only came to within about 100 yards of the sea. The length of the enclosure was about 600 feet and it had been covered in for about two years. There were about nine ventilators. The upper end was quite open. The old nullah was formerly a natural sewer of broken rugged stones. The drain that went up Eastern Street terminating in the new road that leads nowhere, was the only one in the Western district, he thought, that had not got a ventilating shaft up the hill. One had been got, but a connection had not yet been made. There was also one, he thought, in D'Aguilar Street yet to be connected, and one or two drains at Fast Point had not shafts. The length of the shafts up the hill depended on the topography of the place. The drain leading to Rich-Terrace was perforated with un-

trapped gullier at the intersection o

acted as very efficient ventilators.

It was no use trying to trap public drains

until house drains were set right, for the

effect of doing so would simply be to drive

provement of house drains was provided for

in the Public Health Bill, which had been

delayed by diverse circumstances, opposi-

tion &c., but which he hoped would soon

receive the sanction of the Queen.

the sewer gas-into the houses. The im-

the streams, which he considered

Dr Young pointed out that Mr Gilles complained of an open sewer near his house

Mr Price-It is possible there may have been some work going on. Dr Young-It must have been going on for two months. He complains of a bad smell and says he can see the vapour

Mr Prico-It is quite likely if there is au opening that night coolies may deposit

In answer to De Cantlie, who crossexamined the witness at considerable length, Mr Price said he did not think that if a piece of ground for 100 yards was covered up, oven although there was no sewerage, there would be a gathering of foul air. A great many of the the storm water. Sub-soil drainage could By Dr Young-Five of my children and be drafted into whatever channel was most drains when the Tytam water is procured,

lower level, the bulk of the houses, from tal is a good distance from my house and is | Mr Cooper said he had had experience of in a N. E. direction, the smells I com- draining for 10 years. The plan of drainplain of come from the N.W. When the age in Hongkong would, he thou ht, do wind is from that point the obnexious, with certain modifications. There would be smells are something awful; I think they serious harm to have more openings in the come from the sower which was laid in the drains. Until the present condition of the

improvements could be made. The Commission then adjourned.

'FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR That much of what one of your correspondents terms sharsholders' 'thunder' has been heard to vibrate during the weeksome of it distant and some near.

folum. I think it is about two years ago. That, like the effect of the Sorcerer's lovephiltre on married people, I fears the thunder will have but small influence upon Directors of Companies, unless it be followed up by the decisive action of those who in reality have the power, if they would but use it.

> your correspondent 'Impartiality taunts shareholders for neglect of their clear duty, and says they have only themselves to blame for the scant information now given to them by their Directors.

That there is much solid truth in what is said by 'All-Round Shareholder' upon the funny manner in which Directorships are preserved among a close corporation. That it would be a healthy reform if the duty of nomination and election were confined entirely to the shareholders themselves, as it is an invidious task to take

and presented for approval. That it is extremely difficult to discover the qualifications of several local gentlemen for the seats now occupied by or proposed for them, unless it be that of their acknowledged antagonism to the interests

exception to names already cut and dried

they are paid to serve. That it is one of the populinrities of the Hongkong shareholder, that he pays to some of his Directors a handsome annual fue, and besides gives them valuable business information by means of which they can safely and successfully oppose his interests.

That this course of conduct is so exeruciatingly funny, and is so exceedingly pleaasnt for the Directors who are so treated that it is amozing the humour and pleasantry of the idea has never yet, occurred to the dull shareholder.

That the weak points of the Imports and Exports Bill have been brought to light more clearly than its strong points, from which fact I conclude that there is more reason against than for its enforcement,

That one of the objections is that the statistics when obtained will be of comparatively little value against the trouble of obtaining them, and that should the Government go on to overhaul cargoes or goods in godown, they will simply raise a hurnet's nest of opposition.

That although it is so in the nature of things, and no one is to blame for it, this Colonial Government possesses probably the least knowledge of affairs commercial of any other Government I have ever heard of.

That our present Governor is credited with possessing a great fund of knowledge on most subjects, and it is a pity that he has not as yet gathered much experience of Hongkong.

That reverting again to your unusual crop of correspondence, I may observe that some people are strangely wanting in patience and in appreciation of a paternal Government.

That apparently your correspondent in. B. L. is one of these.

That it is remoured that the War Office. having cetermined that the Colony shall be supplied with the newest and most destructive description of armament, have very wisely decided to wait until breech. 大清光緒十三年丁亥十二 londing gons have been superseded by something better before arming the forts.

That it is reassuring to be reminded, in the Speech from the Throne, that the defence of the coaling stations has not been quite forgotten, and it might be well if the advice of the Army & Navy Gazette were

followed, that Lord Salisbury's recent utterances on that subject should be emblezoned in letters of gold in the Houses of Parliament.

That all the same our batteries, which are probably impregnable in theory, are still innocent of guns, and, as I before suggested, we had better start and make them on the spot.

That I see your readers smile at such a notion, but that ideas less practicable have been before now successfully car-

That the time is not far distant when iron ore will be procurable in Hongkong, and it would be a glorious thing for the Imperial Authorities to have a Gun Factory in the 'Malta and Gibraltar of the East'only it might interfere with vested interests at Homo.

importance of Hongkong as our Governor fancies they are, to judge by the remarks of the Home papers; and I know a few London and Manchester people who can tell him all about it.

That no doubt, in the good old fortunemaking days, we Hongkong folks were an apathetic lot, but, as I have linted already, we are rapidly shaking off our apathy, and intend to protest most vigorously against such things as bogus Commissions, ornamental auditors, square pegs in round holes, and all such like history of the world. That, in fact, we fully intend to become a

Model Colony in good time, if red tapo and close corporations will let us. That, before I forget, I may observe that general pleasure is felt that 'The Sorcerer' is again to be called in, and that this time the proceeds of his potion will

be devoted to charitable purposes. That the Fever line given the Doctors such a fine time that they are seem ingly loth to part with it, and that the Report will no doubt be a curiosity in its way, if we survive to see it issued that after the avidence is concluded wit come the real fighting, and there have been several cards shown already which

forbode a lively discussion. That I should not be surprised to see the Report branching out into half a dozen separate and independent opinions. That Small-pox is on the wane, but our authorities aught not to neglect the

warnings they have had. That some of us have not yet forgotten the Dale disaster, and of course no one is likely to enlighten His Excellency on that affair, though there must be newspaper files handy, and probably a record in the Harbour Department of more than ever saw the light in the papers.

That Sir Robert Hart will soon clear our public service of all the best men, and I quite expect to hear that Mr Price, Mr Lister, the Acting Chief Justice and a few more prominent lights have become Chief Commissioners.

That but small blame need fall upon men who move on, as Sir Robert knows and possesses the talisman for obtaining a good article, and uses it.

That we can only beg of the all-powerful I. G. to leave just a few of them behind. That the Conquerors of India, the descendants of Albuquerque, are on the war-path, and some day we shall have to record that a countryman of the sweet singer Camoons is standing on the ruins of the Aqueduct, like the prove bial New Zealander, heaving a sigh over th departed greatness of this Little Britain. and smiling and chuckling o'er the greatness of Macao.

That it would be interesting to know what manner of diplomatic sophistry the politicians of the White House made use of in their deliberations with the Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary for Corea.

That it must have been a somewhat hard task to reconcile to his unsophisticated mind the maternal-like solicitude on the part of the United States to take the Hermit ation to her bosom, with her present active agitation for the expulsion of the Chinese.

That probably the question in a somewhat similar form will ar so in connection with our own Colonial Dependencies, and it would be well to be forewarned

That our local political economists migh find profitable employment in speculat ing as to the effect upon the China Trade of the following by no means improbable contingencies namely, Ohina supplying herself entirely from homo-grown Opium; and high taxation and deterioration in quality driving Foreign buyers, whose wants can easily be satisfied elsewhere, entirely out of the China Tea Market, That the consideration of these questions

would be when more hiely to result in substantial benefit, than muddling their brains over funciful and fallacious figures connected with 'trade in transitu.' That my own brain is for the moment su addled with the study of figures contained in my betting book that there is no room for statistics of any other nature.

That the Chief of Police is very powerful on statistics, and he certainly makes his Department go like a chronometer, when he is not interfered with. That the Gaol now seems to be running as sweetly as an oil mill, and it is gratifying

to know that is gradually decreasing the number of its lodgers. That the wheels of the Magietracy have

also once more got into gear, and confidence is being gradually restored, -all of which circumstances tend to show that the Man at the Wheel is steering the ship fairly well, despite a slight 'yaw' now and again. BROWNIE.

Corea.

(From a Correspondent.) Seoul, 3rd February, 1888.

A few months ago I made known to you the fact that a large block of buildings in this city-the property of the King, who leases the house to merchants, -were burnt to the ground. In this connection I have of the block was commenced lately. It appears that some audacious traitors thought them of placing a scandalous inscription upon the main beams of the building. conched in the following terms :-

月初八日式柱上樑 This sacred beam was erected on the meeting. eighth day of the twolith moon of the thirteenth year of Kwang Su-Tah Ching

nounced by the Liberals, Unionists and election. intogrambling and left plaintiff soffice without and in the face of folling exchange Opium loreigners generally as a dustardly outrage Auditors.—The accounts have been au- previous notice. If plaintiff had brought and Railway receipts, an import duty

respecting this offair.

Affairs in connection with the Corean re-election. mint appear to be going from had to worse. About 2 years ago three Gramans mived here under agreement with the Corean Government. Their duty was to set up mint machinery, assay metals, and direct and carry on the business of a mint upon the same lines as is usual in foreign countries. When they arrived the foundation of the mint was not laid, noitherhad the machinery arrived (purchased through a German firm). Up to date the mint is not complete, neither is the machinery set up.

On the 29th of last month M. Washer. H.I.R.M. representative, succeeded in arriving at a final settlement of the convention-so long talked of-respecting the opening of a town in the North East of Corea to trade. It is said to be the town of King Hung, about 40 miles on the Cocan side of the frontier. Thus the wily Russians have succeeded in establishing their right to roum over the South ru That people are not quite so ignorant of the I shores of the Tumen river. What will John Bull say to this?

The administration of the Customs service by officials of the Chinese Customs Service is highly exasperating to native officials. fow days ago, a meeting of leading Liberals and Unioniats; dissatisfied with the conduct of Mesars Merrill and Schoenelke, was held at which a very important resolution was passed. I subjoin a translation of the sune--That the collection of the Royal Corean Oustoms Revenues at the Open Ports by officials who hold appointments under the Chinese Government and who are members of the Chinese Custom Service 1. An unomaly without parallel in the

2. Is opposed to the principles of the law of nations.

3. Is lowering to the prestige of H. M. .4. Is a serious menace to the independence

5. Is calculated to lead to grave international complications. It is therefore resolved to have a copy of this resolution forwarded to the King with

a memorial praying for the discontinuance of such a dangerous state of affairs and the prompt substitution of officials appointed by the Corean Government for those who now control the Customs Service and collect the Reven e at the Open Ports.' I am informed the resolution was duly forwarded to the King. Indiajesty has formally notified the Think the Memorial (so-called) which was lately published purporting to be from himself to the Emperor of China is an infamous forgery and that, whoseever (if a Corean) is con-

On dit Ming-Ung-Sik, Conservative leader, is under suspicion at present in connection therewith. The Herenlean task of reorganizing the and forces of Corea and placing them on a proper war footing has been entrusted to Lieut, F. J. H. Nicustead, an American subject. Lieut. Nioustead lately arrived here with his wife and family, and is now actively engaged with his arduous task. This gentleman is identically the same dashing officer who distinguished himself in Formosa some years ago when aghticg

nected therewith will suffer death by burn-

A College, whorein the English language and telegraphy are the chief subjects treated. was opened here on the 1st day of the 12th Moon, under the Superintendence of Mr. T

under the redoubtable General Saigo against

HE HONGKES & WITATIPUA DOCK of Directors of the above Company to be ly I made a contract with Messrs presented at the ordinary yearly meeting of Brandt & Co. Sz Sui Sun arranged shareholders, to be li-ld at the Offices of the the contract. I lent Sz Sui Sun appointments and style. Shippers and jus-Company, No. 14, Praya, Hongkong, on some money. Before lending the money sengers alike will are the advantages of Monday, the 27th February, 1888, at 3 I made inquiries of his master about this great change for the better-all the old

and Whampon Dock Co., Limited. 31st December last.

The total receipts for the six months are | that assurance I lent Sz Sui Sun Tls. 200. \$68',877.41, and the net profit, after paying interest and all charges, amounts

to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account 1,492,91 and from this have to be deducted

Directors' fees.......83,500.60 Auditors' fees 400.00 eaving available for appropria-

The Directors recommend that a divid- our leaving Shapghai. Mr Brandt came to

tensive repairs which have hitherto added Mr Brandt understands a good deal of that to the Jeylapia Pass. This movement of so much to the revenue, and partly to a dialect. stagnation in the orders for building new . Mr Brandt's cross-examination of this the Thibetans to retire to their own vessels; but as many enquiries have lately witness consisted of questions as to how he country and not interfere with Sikhim this department being fully employed,

The new dock at Kowloon was temporari- as they are now. ly opened on the 9th of last month for the accommodation of the two largest ironclads tion, remarking that he did not see the use Maharani, two Generals, 12 other officers of the Chinese Navy, both of which vessels of it. were successfully docked and repaired. The dock has again been closed for the purpose of witness had never seen him in Shanghai at the party at Segowlie, with Mr Girdlescompleting about 100 feet of the musonry all, which he said he would be able to show tone, B itish Resident, who will not avail at the upper end and erecting the new conclusively. pumps which are due from England in a His Lordship said he did not think he Minister has completed has business with few days; and it is now expected that the required to hear any more of the case, after the Viceroy. Runbeer Jung has been undocked with great facility and safety.

rather than have the works divided.

Directors -Messrs E. H. M. Huntingsigned, the Directors invited Messrs W. H. he justified in allowing. Forbes, E. L. Woodin and St. C. Michael: sen to the vacant seats on the Board, which to that this was so, and it seemed an penditure in Upper Burma in excess of re-

upon the reigning dynasty of Corea. It is dited by Messrs F. T. Pearce Foster and an action against him for improperly leave on hardware and metals would be proferprobable that the Governor of Scoul and Fullarton Henderson, the latter gentleman ing his service he might have succeeded, able and would realize a large revenue other high functionaries will be disgraced acting for Mr Thos. Arnold. The Board but the question was here did the plaintiff without reimposing Cotton duties. The recommend Messrs Arnold and Foster for promise to pay him this commission of Finance Minister promised further observa-

J. Bell-Inving, Chairman.

July 10 December, 1887.

CATITAL ACCOUNT. Value of Aberdeen Docks as per last Kouloon. Value of Kowloon Docks as per lust statement 6/2,912.04 Less amount writtenofflastemonths 4.000.00 Compensation to Lotholders, for closing Dock Street 15,800.00 New Shed and Ship-building Machinery added during last 6 Amount expended in the construction of the new Dock to Less amount of Free Grant received from the Admiralty £25,000 0s. 0d...... 149,000.72 Value of Cosmopolitan Docks. as per last statement 343,895.97 Amount expended in filling in get in addition to his salary of \$15 a month and building new Ben Wall 11°/2 on contracts put through by him, and during hist six months 1,900,00 when this contract was completed he would Value of 'Pilot Fish' as per by entitled to recover his commission. Meantime, pending that, execution would Value of 'Barne' na per last 4.000.00 statement. Value of 10 Steam Launches and 1 Steam Lighter as per-last statement Value of Lighter and Boats ...

By Shareholders for paid up Capital Admiralty Loan £20,000 0s. 64. Less repayments 720 12s. Od. £19,270 8s. Od. at 3/17 122,506.14 Sundry Creditors Balanco of Profit brought forward from that there would be a profit. REVENUE ACCOUNT. To Cost of Labor, Material and Working Expenses at the Company's three

Office Expenses, Stationery, Telegrams, and Petty Cash at Read Office By Gross Earnings of the Company's three Establishments Towage, Nett Earnings. Trunsfer Fees .. hon...

We have examined the Books and Vouchers of the FELLARTON HENDERSON, Judicore. Hongkong, 15th February, 1888.

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. Before the Hon. J. Rusiell, Acting Chies Justice. Saturday, Feb. 18.

BRANDT v. SZ SUI KUN Further evidence was heard in this case to-day. Mr Webber appearing for the de-

Vicercy of Yuman : Larrived in Canton on To the Shareholders of the Hongkong me for the loan of money I put him off for several days. I asked his master Gentlemen, -The Directors have now to | whether he had anything besides his salary. submit to you their Report, with a State- Mr Brandt told me that he had some comment of Accounts for the half-year ending | mission. He said he had more than one per

By Mr Bradt :- I was told that ammunition could be bought at your hong and over an hour.

\$95,301.32 | the witness's evidence, that Mr Barndt had examined him for an hour and a half and his Lordship did not see that anything had been got out of him. Wong Sz Pau said :- I am the No. 2

wife of Sz Sui Sun. I resided in Shanghai and know. Mr Brandt there. I also house. I remember a conversation about

end for the half-year of 4 per cent; or Snaughai in the beginning of last year and \$62,500.00, be paid to the Shareholders, wanted my husband to go to Hongkone. and a Bones of Cr,000.00 to Contributing At the time of the conversation there were Shareholders : that \$20,000.00 be written present Mr and Mrs Brandt and my husfrom the value of the new dock at Kow- | band and myself. Mrs Brandt said to me loon, and the balance \$1,901.32 carried that I need not be afraid to go to Houg-The Gross Earnings of the Company for and that although the salary he was going of the 32nd Pioneers and two guns of a the half-year under review are less than to got was small, there would be plenty of Bountain Battery, are told off estensibly those of the previous one, owing chiefly to commission. Mr Brandt was present then: for the purpose of repairing the road that the absence of those large contracts for ex. Mrs Brandt spoke to me in Shanghai dialect. runs from Darjeeling into Thibet right up

been made, there is now every prospect of looked whom witness saw him first, and politics or commerce with us. whether his whiskers were the same then VISIT OF THE REPAULESE PRIME MINISTER.

dock will be permanently opened about the | the evidence given by the mandarin this | living in Calcutta for the past week, so his end of July next. The Company will then morning. He was as clear and straight- attempt to wrest the throne of Nepaul has be in a position to receive the largest vessels | forward a witness as ever his Lordship had | been a failure. in the world; and there being no dangerous seen in the box. He seemed to give his obstructions at or near to the entrance, and evidence so far as the defendant was very little tide-way in the immediate vicini- concerned with great kindness but with ty, the largest ironclads can be docked and perfect honesty. He and defendant were sworn brothers and it was a as the createst mistrust exists regarding his The docks and workshops at the three very natural thing that he should have asked intentions, estat lishments of the Company continue to Mr. Brandt to exhort defendant, who was a be kept in a thorough state of efficiency. Inotorious gambler, against the vice. Al-The Directors regret having been obliged | though defendant was a gambler it did not | duced a Bill authorizing the levy of an imnow to inform you that the reconstruction to pay such a large sum to the lot-holders follow that he would therefore go into the part duty of five per cent on petroleum and at Hung Ham as compensation for closing box and swear lies in his own case; and from reviewed the present financial situation. Dock street, but as this thoroughfare the evidence now before him his Lordship The deficit to be met is some 18 lakhs would have considerably reduced the value thought it was very probable that Mr plus any excess of military expenditure in they would seize the opportunity afforded of the extension to the Company, it was Brandt did make an arrangement to pay Upper Borma and fall of exchange below considered advisable to pay this amount the defendant a commission of 12 per cent. | seventeen pence; to meet this 172 and a on sales effected by him.

Mr Brandt said 12 per cent. was a very ed Salt doties, six and a half-lakhs from ton, A. Molver and M. Grote having re- large amount; much more than he would Petroleum and ten lakks from levy of in-

appointments have to be confirmed at this extraordinary thing that defendant should | venue is 178 lakhs and no reduction can be have come from Shanghai for the sum of expected for two or three years which Upper In accordance with Clause 60 of the 830 a month when he was making much Burma will mancially pay. The non-Offi-Articles of Association, Means J. Bull- more money there in teaching, if there was lotal members expressed natisfaction in en-Irving and H. Hoppius ratire by rotation, no other inducement. When he was left hopping the Salt duples but thought Petro-This infamous inscription has been de- but being eligible, offer themselves for re- to himself in Canton he seemed to have got leum was too insignificant un article to tax

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, cross-claim for \$450 which had to be decided on now. His Lordship thought plaintiff had entered into this arrangement to pay 14 per cont. commission, but he did Lordship would give Mr Brandt judgment for his claim of \$302.50, but would stay execution of it until the time that this contract was completed, when defendant would be entitled to the amount of his commission. There would be no order as to costs. He must say h thought defendant's conduct had been bad he could not help thinking that he really army head quarters will then be transferred intended to go to Shanghai. At the same time a bargain was a bargain. He was to

> by stayed. Mr Brandt said there might be no commission to pay; the cargo might go to the

Mr Webber submitted that defendant was entitled to the commission, although the contract was not ac ually completed.

there is no profit on this contract? His Lordship: - I am not going into that point, but I presume this in a matter of that kind you would take very good care

THE P. AND O. COMPANY'S CHINA

One of the developments consequent on

the operation of the new mail contracts is,

we hear, to be a direct P. and O. lin through the Suez Canal once a fortnight between London and China, c Hing at Marsellos both outward and homeward, and serving the usual ports on route. The speed is likely to be largely accelerated, and we have reason to believe the transit of the China mails will be advanced very considerably, and that the mail steamers' arrivals will be good deal ahead of the actual contract time, as fixed under the new agreement. This fortnightly direct line will be supplemented by the connection of the Calcutta steamer with a Bombay-Hongkong steamer (every alternate fortnight) at Colombo, thus establishing a weekly communication between London and Hongkong. This latter service will, however, be virtually confined to cargo, though doubtless it will prove o considerable convenience to passengers. In anticipation of the increased traffic, both in goods and passengers, which this improved service and transit is likely to induce, a large sum of money has been expended by the company in fitting up the ships to be employed on the line. They have all modern fendant, and Mr Brandt conducting his appliances and improvements, including of course electric lighting, and a special fea-Chik Koon Li said :- I am deputy to the ture in the new department will be the introduction of an entire change of system in 20th Feb. 1887. I was introduced to Mr | the administration of the second salcon, in-The following is the Report of the Board Brandt by Sz Sui Sun, and subsequent- volving elaborate alterations in its accommodation and fittings generally. The secondsal loon indeed now almost rivals the first in its transhipments and annoyances will be abolished by the new direct-line through the Suez Cauni ; and, with Marseilles as a Continental port of call outwards and homewards, every reasonable facility seems likely to be provided. Of course passengers cent commission. Upon the strength of will still be at liberty to change vessels in Egypt and proceed to Brindisi or other Itulian ports served by the company, but the great change conferred by the company on their China supporters is the creation Brandt then put a series of unimportant of a direct line. It is no secret that the questions, chiefly irrelevant, which occupied company have lost considerable traffic from the fact that passengers had to change His Lordship remarked, at the close of steamers. Now everyone may instal him self in his cabin at Shanghai, and has no to change till he reaches Plymouth or London, whichever best suits his arrange

NEWS BY THE FRENCY

ments. China Express.

M. M. steamer Iraounddy arrived this afternoon with the French Mail of 13th lanuary. We take the following telegrams to assist the steam power, and although from Indian and other newspapers :-

OUR RELATIONS WITH THIBET. Calcutta, January 29 .- A military road kong, that I would be well provided for, making party; consisting of some 600 men troops into Sikhim will effectually force

The Prime Minister of Nepaul reaches His Lordship stopped the cross examina here to-morrow accompanied by one and about 100 infantry with followers. Mr Brandt said he wanted to prove that Captain Vann Bart, 5th Goorkhas, meets himself of his leave until the Nepaulesc

THE AMEER OF CABUL. The Ameer of Oabul-'s reported to be pressing the frontier tribes to send jirgas into Jellalabad. Nearly all have declined.

DUTY ON PETROLEUM. The Finance Minister on Friday introhalf lakbs is expected from the increascome tax in Lower Barms and Excise duties His Lordship said it had been sworn in Upper Burma. From next year the ex-

16 per cent. With regard to the claim from about the possible sources of revenue for \$302 which plaintiff now made, he next Friday, when the Bill would come made it first of all a criminal matter up for discussion. The Viceroy explaine and got the Magistrate to commit the how reluctant he was to increase the case to the Supreme Court. So far burdens of the people of India, but the as his Lordship could judge the proper heavy fall in Opium prices and Railway course would have been to commit the de- receipts, together with the continued fendant on a rendition warrant. However, depreciation of silver, forced Government the plaintiff had chown now to make a civil to enhance the Salt the which would be application. Defendant had admitted his the least felt by the masses. Since 1884. liability for this sum, and had put in a 85 loss by exchange has progressively increased one million each year. TROOPSHIP BROKEN DOWN.

Bombay, 30th January. The troopship Scrapis has broken down in the Red Sea not think that commission was due you and has had to be towed back to Suez. It as the contract was not completed. His appears the high pressure cyclinder has been broken. ANGLO-AMERICAN FISHERIES COMMISSION.

Washington, 30th Jan. Good progress is being made by the Anglo-American Fisheries Commission, who are daily holding longthy sittings. ITALIAN MOVEMENTS

Cairo, 31st January. The Italian troops in leaving his place at the time he did, and intend to occupy Santi to-morrow, and the THE KHYBER MALIES INTERCIEWED.

The Khyber Maliks, interviewed by press representative, regretted that they did not live under the British Raj. The Amoor, they say, is a cruel man and is lesing the love of his subjects by the barbarous way in which he tortures them; he practises great zoolum, they added. IMPROVEMENT IN CHOWN PRINCE'S HEALTH.

San Remo, 29th January. - Sir Morell His Lordship presumed there would be | Mackenzie states he is quite statisfied with the progress made by his illustrious patient, Mr Brandt said only on account of the and declares a decided improvement has taken place in those parts that have hith. erta been affected by the disease. Professor Virchow has also held an examination under the microscope of the portions of dead His Lordship was opposed to Mr Webber | cartilage that here been brought away by coughing and spitting, and states that he Mr Brandt :- Suppose I can show that finds nothing malignant in their appears

NATIONAL LEAGUE PROSECUTIONS London, Jan. 28. - The trial of Mr. Patrick O'Brien, M.P., and Mr. Hayden, journalist, who were arrested for making seditious speeches, concluded yesterday. The former was sentenced to four months' and the latter to three months' imprisonment. London, Jan. 29 .- Mr. Cox has been sontenced to four months' imprisonment, but

on appealing was released on bail. He was however re-arrested soon after for making a fresh seditions speech. London, 30th January. - Father Stevens has been arrested at Dunfanaghy for making

acditious speech. London, 3 at January .- Father Macfadden, who was arrested at Armagh on the 20th for inciting people to boycott certain persons, has boun sentenced to three mouths' imprisonment. The Reverend Father has appealed and been released on bail. Father Kennedy has been summon-

ed for attending a meeting of the National London, Jan. 14th .- The Czar having made no declaration at the New Year's recoptions, the Standard comments on this silence and says that it does not prove that the Czar is resolved to maintain peaco. It indicates that the Uzir is champing his bit, held back by the fear of the triple

(London papers, 13th Jan.) Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, K. C. B. eft England on the 12th Jan. for Hong Kong, to take over command of the China Squadron, Lieut. T. F. Lea accompanies in as flag lieutenant.

Commander Trench, of the Britannia. will, it is reported, be the Commander of the new China flagship; and Commander Norcock, of the Defiance, will commission the Porpoise for the same station:

The following appointments have been

made at the Admiralty :- Lieuts. Lord F. G. G. Osborne, to the Sapphire, to date Jan. 4; H. C. B. Hulbert, the Imperience: Staff Commander G. K. Moore, to the Victor Emmunuel, additional, for Hong Kong Yard, all to date Jan. 12. Lord George Hamilton, the First Lord of the Admiralty, has been on a visit to Portsmouth for the purpose, smong other things, of making an inspection of the cruiser Imperieuse, whose captain recently made a report to the Admiralty, in which many serious defects were pointed out. The report stated that when cruising under steam she is liable to become rather wild, and with any wind requires a good deal of weather helm, as much as two turns having

heen needed with a fresh breeze abeam.

When going at full speed she behaves much

captan said I am decidedly of opinion

better. In another

triat it is most undesirable to rotain her masts and sails. I consider they give only a minimum of good to a maximum of evil. I am also of opinion that her fighting power would be much endangered by retaining the amount of rigging renuired for, perhaps, occasionally using sail when going into action I presume all musts, yards, &c., above the tops would be down, there would still remain a large amount of wire rigging and gear not only to foul the propellers but endanger the lives of the barbette guns crews underneath, and perhaps block the barbettes from working, thus increasing the risk of accident, and inviting disaster. The report also pointed out various defects in the ventilation of the dynamu room, and showed that the broadside torpedo ports could not be properly worked even with only 800 tons of coal on board. Some of these defects have been removed, but the Imperieuse is stated to be not such an effective fighting ship as was predicted when she was first designed.

Exchange. Hongkong, February 18. On demand, ,, 30 days' sight, 4 months' sight, Credits, 4 Documentary, 4 months with 3/2 On Paris— On demand, Credits, 4 months wight, On New York-On demand. Oredits, 60 days' night, On Bombay-On Calcutta-On Shanghal-On domand, ... 30 days' eight.

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THE LITTLE KING. A little face to look at. A little face to kiss, Is there anything, I wonder, That's half as sweet as this?

A little cheek to dimple When smiles begin to grow, A little mouth betraying Which way the kisse, go.

A slender little ringlet, A rosy little ear. A little chin to quiver, When falls the little tear.

A little hand so fragile, All through the night to hold; Two little feet so ten ler To tuck in from the cold.

Two eyes to watch the sunbeam That with the shadows plays-A darling little baby To kiss and love always. -Leeds Mercury.

THE DROP OF WATER.

(INQUISITION-GOA, 1560.) They have chained me in the central hall And are letting drops of water fall On my forehead so close to the granite wall, Drop-drop.

And I feel a prick like the prick of a thern, no one ever made a proverb about it, which | see a woman weep as to see a goose go Which comes with the fall of each drop so shows that these wiseacres, with all their barefoot, illustrates the scepticism that has Drop-drop.

A circle I feel beginning to form, A circle of fire round each drop so-warm.

The circle is growing between my eyes, Each drop that falls increases its size, And a flame of fire upward flies. At each

Drop-drop.

It's growing larger, my God ! the pain Of this awful, damnable, circular flame, Cutting its way through my throbbing Drop-drop. brain,

It's growing larger, dilating my brain, Before its circular, throbbing flame, Till I feel like a universe of pain. Drop-drop.

Suns of fire are falling fast, On to my brain, oh God I can this last? Drop-drop.

The stars of the universe all beat time, As each raging sun of heat and flame Falls with a measured throb on my brain, Drop-drop.

Time has grown as large as my brain, Ten million years of agonized pain Lie between the fall of each sun of flame. Drop-drop.

Something is coming is coming! Drop---drop. Something is going to happen:

Something has enapped ! The falling suns cease ! Oh God! can it be that you've sent me ro-

death, this feeling of exquisite It is death.

JOHN RUSKIN'S ROMANCE. John Ruskin did a strangely wayward thing when he consented to get married. He did a most erratic and, to the public, most inexplicable thing when he arranged for his divorce.

He had accepted some of the loftiest traditions about womanhood that men sometimes read of and talk about, and he looked France from a pessimistic standpoint. Girls for his ideal companion. One night he met | were not loved in thuse days. There was a the drawing-room of a London friend, who, without his knowing it, had brought the young lady to meet the eyes of ing the patrimony as a dower to their the great writer.

It was a June night; he was thirty-five, and she looked like a Greek goddess. He was dazzled. She was a tall, graceful girl of nineteen, with a face and figure as one ever expected Ruskin to fall in love. and he did not? She was poor, needed home and its comforts, and so they were married.

Their wedded life was peaceful, friendly, kindly to the highest degree, but there was not a spark of affection to lighten their existence. She admired the great man she had married the married for the

wealth and comfort he showered on He worshiped her as he would the marble made life-like by the sculptor's chisel. There was nothing human about the life they led as husband and wife; and she was a woman who in her heart, like all true women, laughed at the traditions that made her sex love distant worship.

One day Ruskin brought an artist to paint his wife's picture. And the man was Millais; and he was a bright, cheery, handsome fellow, human, every inch of him, with a great and absorbing love for the beautiful, and a willingness to tell of his love. He began to paint the portrait of the

magnificent woman, and when he had finished he was in love with his friend's wife. Womanlike she saw it, and perhaps she was not full of sorrow and repreach. was the first tribute of real manful love that had been laid at her fact.

And Ruskin? His wide eyes saw the romance that was weaving around those two lives, and his heart realized how little affection he had to lavish on the woman whom he had made his wife.

How he told her the story of his pride in her, and the sacrifice he was to make for her, while she lay prone at his feet, is one of the things which only she or he could

It is difficult to obtain a divorce in England, but John Ruskin secured it for her, and one bracing morning in the early winter, a month after the divorce was granted. a day. 'A woman loves to be beaten.' Ruskin stood beside the couple in one of Beat your wife and she will amend, A London's quiet churches, and saw them made man and wife.

That was a good many years ago, and since then Millais has become rich and famous, and is now Sir John, and his wife needs the stick is thought by the general best family physic that has ever been is my Lady Millais.

cess and great honor John Ruskin has been out of their sphere has been modified, but unselfishly orowned with happiness -N.Y. Graphia.

in the 'Paris Figure,' of a valuable remedy proverb, 'Whistling girls and crowing for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, hens.' Talleyrand did not care for learned and premature decay. The discovery was women, and his terse remark, There is They operate briskly, yet mildly, withmade by a missionary in Old Mexico; it nothing so reposeful as a stupid woman, saved him from a miserable existence and illustrates the pertinacity of the idea which an early grave. We learn that the Rev. is latent in the lower intellectual strata of Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, the present generation, Clever women Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C. will like Madame de Stael have appreciated the send the prescription, free of charge, on domestic freedom resulting from the receipt of a self addressed stamped enve- possession of a spouse of mediocre ability.

WOMEN IN PROVERBS. the wisdom of mankind that has gone on accumulating since the beginning of the

world? The prefaces to bunks in which they are collated and explained tell us so: but is their evidence sufficient ? The question is an important one, for if these pregand the weaknesses of her old uge with the satiries, who were either the authors garden and devils in their houses. of the proverbs or the well from which the English and Scotch proverbs express for no matter where you go-in Japan, Rome, you see them scolding at one an-

not at all. It is a curious fact that men, as men, have rarely been embalmed in proverbs. There are a few saws that satirize the follies of youth, meaning young mon, but they are charity itself as compared with the distilled bitterness of those that relate to women. Proverbs must have long preceded authentic history. Men in oriental countries in the first ages of the world were really lords and masters, and they talked or wrote freely of the weaknesses of the wher sox, while the women, being in a state of slavery and hardly supposed to have soul, certainly not daring to say it was their own, never ventured to defend themselves or to make any reply whatever. A: soon as there was a written language the traditional proverbs that had existed for many ages setting forth the faults and vices of women began to be classified into a sort of literary department of it. The Hebrew mythology was first impressed with woman's spirit of curiosity, which is alleges to have caused the fall of created beings from their primitive purity. Later on the sacred writers begin to satirize woman's extravagance, as shown in her love of dress and ornament, and her talent for objurgation, as in the following: 'It is hetter to dwell in the wilderness than with

a contentious and angry woman, and

others setting forth that a dinner of herbe

and contentment therewith was better than

life with a brawling woman no matter how magnificent the mansion. The Chinese and Japanese have found the same faults in women. A Japanese proverb says of a woman given to dress. that she puts her husband on her backthat is, his fortune. There is another. hinting at the foibles of literary women, to the effect that when a woman wishes to seem intelligent she fails to sell her ox. meaning that, like a creeping crone at market, she neglects her duties. There are others, touching on the more serious faults of the sex; that are too gross for repetition. There are said to be precisely 660 old French proverbs, most of them dating back over 300 years. From these, it appears that the girl or young woman has since the Dark Ages, been looked at in favorite saying that they were only born to enrich other families-that is, by conveyhusbands. The perplexity of a man who is too much a father is expressed in the following :- The man who has too many girls to look after should possess the instinct of a shepherd's dog, which finds

faultless as one of the statues of old. No its echo in the English proverb, Marry your sons when you will, your daughters when you can. The gadding disposition of young women has always been a cause of reproach. So we find in the collection such sayings as these which seem as fresh as if just written : Girls too much in the street are soon lost. 'Girls who love the window (or the side walk) never make good housekeepera, 'A girl who is too much seen coats dear," Akin to these are the

three that follow: 'The idle girl thinks of then idea found in all languages Girls and this, emogrand a general sentiment which is rarely found sugjectly

expressed, A girl without fear is good for This is our doctrine, happermanent value or Single Copy, The faults of girls and young women are oftener the result of inexperience than of vicious disposition. The proverbialists find the foibles and frailties of a woman to whose character time should have taught the value of goodness and the necessity of discretion unpardonable. Her character has become complex, and she is regarded as forever ready to supplement her natural fascination with an extraordinary talent for deceit. The eye of a woman is a spider, Woman always weeping, 'A woman's weeping is that of the crocodile, 'A woman can mourn, whine, be sick or well whenever she pleases, 'A woman and an uncut melon ars a problem, are some of the forms in which these old French misanthropes (it is

to be taken for granted that the young are never proverb-makers) have clothed this The French of the Middle Ages had the notion that has prevailed in Russia till a recent date, that a wife needed beating, or that she even thought her husband's love for her getting cold unless he administered personal chastisement at least once horse, whether good or bad, needs the whip; so a wife, good or bad, requires the stick. In these days a husband who labors under the delusion that his wife public to merit the whipping post. This The warmest, sturdiest friend the strug- is, perhaps, the only case where the man whose wife he had married and tion to his wife has entirely changed. through all the years of Millais' later suc. That regarding women of learning getting

the welcome guest and almost daily visitor the point of the satire remains. The to the man and woman whose lives he so French of 300 years ago said: 'The of our lives—constipation and sluggish woman who speaks Latin never comes to a good end, and also, 'It is well to get rid liver. of the woman that talks like a man and the pullet that crows like a cock. In both of AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced these there is a suggestion of the English kinds of sickness, by removing all

Are proverbs the correct expression of the manner in which the French judged women and wives three or four-hundred years ago : Never tell a woman what you wish to conceal : Never show a woman what you do not intend to give her! : 'He who has a wife has a quarrel on his hands! He who has a wife to keep has never a nant sentences, these fossils of thought, are day to himself ; God shows his love for a to be received as gospel truth, then woman man when he takes from him his wife is and has been since time began an ex- The greatest injury one man can do to caedingly equivocal character. According another is to give him his daughter in marto the proverb-writers, woman has always ringe'; Love mires the young and drowns been the same imperfect being, offering her the old and this, which seems to have youthful frailties, her wifely delinquencies inspire /a familiar passage in Shakespeare: Women are saints at church, angels in the equal impartiality to the tongue or pen of street, magpies at their doors, goats in the

latter drow their inspiration. She has not similar ideas, but are usually more charitonly been the same in all ages, but she is able. The few that English books of prostill, especially after age has ripened her verbe see fit to classify as American are virtues and matured her faults; the same either kindly or mildly satirical, like this; in all countries of the world, pagan or Women love their husbands, but worship health will result. civilized. It is the acidulated temper their bonnets, to which no woman can that is the touchstone and the proof, object; or, this: Marrying for love is risky, but God smiles on it; or, this nucin, China, Tonquin, Expet, or in the fish mar. | which is to the point, but still not bitter: kets of London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, A woman can't keep a secret, nor let any anyone else keep it.' The following-the other, apparently in the same dialect, using first from the English, the second and third the samegestures, seemingly having the same from the Scotch-are more bitter : Buildcauses of complaint, and surrounded by ing and marrying are great masters, Death precisely the same crowds of men of all ages ye may escape, but marriage never, will urging them on. The pleasure that men winns mak a toil o's a pleasure, They were cold at first, but they now are take in the verbal warfare of old women is quo' the man when he buried his wife. [warm, skill in seizing on salient points of charac- existed in all ages and nations regarding the ter, sometimes miss golden opportunities, sincerity of the tears of woman. English Proverbs usually find women most vulner- proverbs relating to woman's inconsistency able as maidens or as wives. As mothers are not wanting, but those treating of their A circle that throbs to the prick of the they touch them lightly, and as sisters, a infidelity to the marriage vow not nume-[thorn, relation that implies gentleness and fidelity, rous. All the northern nations have a keen sense of woman's weakness, but

> GRAINS OF GOLD. Who chatters to you will chatter of you. Heaven is a temper, not a place. - Ur,

Francisco Chronie'e.

maintaining a loftier ideal, they prefer to

the lesson conveyed by proverbs. - San

Fate moves with leaden feet, but strikes with iron hands. Honor and profit do not always lie in the same sack. - George Herbert. Keep good company and you shall be one

of the number. - George Herbert. Secreey and mystery drive the uninitiated into suspicion and distrust. A weak mind sinks under prosperity, as

well as under adversity. - Hare. Secret kindnesses done to mankind are as beautiful as secret injuries are detestable. Natura makes all the noblemen; wealth, education or pedigree never made one yet. Open animosity of hatred injures us less han the apparent kindness of friendship. Success is the effect of well-judged endeavors; good fortune is the result of

Our bounty, like a drop of water, when diffused too widely, disappears. - Goldsmith. Truth and a soul that is ready for truth meet like the fuel and the flame. - Phillips Silence often expresses more powerfully

than speech the verdict and judgment of The government of one's self is the only true freedom of the individual .- Frederick

basely that which worthy hands have hon-There is no strength in exaggeration even the truth is weakened by being expressed too strongly.

Earn what you spend, and spend not

Work as if thou had'st to live for aye; Worship as if thou wert to die to-day. Tuscan Proverb. You will never have a friend if you must have one without failings.

He who will not be ruled by the rudder must be ruled by the rock. Satire is a glass wherein beholders gener-

To rejoice in the happiness of others is to make it our own; to produce it is to make t more than our own .- James. -A more glorious victory cannot be gained over another man than this, that when the

A man cannot practise sin and be a good citizen. Burke says very truly : Whatever disunites man from God disunites man from man. - Chapin.

The whole faculties of man must be exerted in order to call forth noble energies and he who is not earnestly sincere lives in but half being, self-mutilated, self-paral- at home and in the Far East, who do not yzed. - Colerid e. From Oeser I learned that the ideal

beauty consists in simplicity and reposewhence it plainly follows that no young man can produce a masterpiece. It is a great to us. happiness when one has not had to arrive at this profound truth through a sad series | Fer Annum, of pretentions blunders. - Quethe.

of trial, that when a man conquers his adversaries and his difficulties, it is not as if he had never encountered them. This power, still kept, is in all his future life. They are not only events in his past history, they are elements in his personal character. -Phillips Brooks.

SEIGEL'S FOR CONSTIPATION, SLUGGISH

LIVER, &c., TINLIKE many kinds of cathartic medicines, do not make you feel

worse before von feel better. Their operation is gentle, but thorough, and it to their interest to avail themselves of unattended with disagreeable effects, them. such as nauses, griping pains, &c. Seigel's Operating Pills are the

discovered. They cleanse the bowels that can be given to it by foreigners. gling painter had in his toiling days was the proverbial idea respecting a man's rela- from all irritating substances, and leave them in a healthy condition. The best remedy extant for the bane

These Pills prevent fevers and all poisonous matter from the bowels. out any pain.

If won take a severe cold, and are threatened with a fever, with bains in the head, back, and limbs, one or two The following proverbs, indiscriminately doses of Seizel's Operating Pills

quoted, will give a general conception of will break up the cold and prevent

A coated tongue, with a brackish Occidental & Oriental Steamuste, is caused by foul matter in the stomach. A few doses of Seigel's Operating Pills will cleanse the stoniach, remove the bad taste, and restore the oppetite, and with it bring good health.

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FREDREICK STEWART,

Acting Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, 17th February, 1883.

SIGNAL STATION, VICTORIA PEAK, HONGRONG. 1823 Fest above Sea Level, 1. The Union Jack will be hoisted at the Mast Head when any vessel is being

2. The Commercial Code of Signals for all Nations will be used at the Station. 3. All Signals made by vessels in the Offing will be repeated. 4. When Signalling to Men-of-War in-

the Harbour or in the Offing a White Ensign will be hoisted at the Flagstaff, and at the Mast Head of the Man-of-War 5. When a Steamer, or the smoke of a Steamer, is sighted, the Compass Bearing of the Yard Arm, and Distance off at the Mast Head, will be nonted it when the vessel is made out, she is not a Mail Steam. er, the Vessel's Distinguishing Flag will be

substituted for the Compass Signal, and it

The Distance Signal will be kept up fifteen minutes after the Steamer is made out 6. If the Steamer is a regular, Mail Steamer a Gun will be fired, and a Ball over the English, French, or American Ensign, with the Distance off at that time, will be shown at the Mast Head. The Compass Signal and Symbol will be hauled down. The Ball and Ensign will be kept up until the vessel anchors. The Distance Signal will be kept flying for half-an-hour, and changed at each successive half hour to show the Distance of at those times. When the vessel is between Green Island and the North Point of Hongkong the Distance Signal will be hauled down. If the Mail Steamer is not in the Harbour whin it is too dark to distinguish flags, a red light will be exhibited at the West Yard Arm, or a green light at the East Yard Arm until she

7. River Steamers will not be signalled. The approach of other Steamers from Macao or Canton will be made known by showing the National, or House Flag and Symbol at Yard Arm.

8. If a Flag showing that an Officer of high rank is on board an incoming vessel, a similar Flag will be shown above the Ball or the Flag alone will be hoisted at the

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